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Containing the freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtick.

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BRISTOL, Oct. 13.

OUR City and Suburbs have been ſtrangely diſturbed for theſe ſeveral Days paſt, by the turbulent Commotions and Inſurrections of the Colliers of Kingſwood, but chiefly by thoſe that work entirely in the Coal-Mines. They have played ſuch mad Pranks, that one would think they had forgot there were any Laws in Being for the Government of a People, and to ſecure the Peace and Property of the Subject; and though theſe miſguided People have their almoſt entire Subſiſtance from this City, yet have they thought fit, not only to cut off all Communication of the Wheel and Horſe Carriage, by Dint of Ax, Club and Staff, and thereby depriving the Inhabitants of their Firing; but are alſo turn'd Collectors on the Road.

The Riſe of this Diſturbance proceeded from a Grievance among themſelves; ſeveral Perſons having rented ſome old Works, and finding the Production capable of Improvement, have underſold the Proprietors of the other Works, in their Small Coal, which ſupply the Glaſs-houſes, Smiths, and Sugar-houſes. Thoſe Proprietors that were chiefly injur'd by this, would fain oblige the Pitmen to work for a lower Price, by ſinking their Wages from Sixteen-Pence to One Shilling per Day; which was ſo ill reliſhed, that they abſolutely refus'd a Compliance; and to remedy the Evil, gathered, by Degrees, to a conſiderable Body; and thoſe that were unwilling to join their Company they forced, and ſome underwent a ſound Drubbing, and riding the Cow-Tang, &c. And to prevent the bringing Coal to Town, till ſuch Time Matters were accommodated, have diſperſed themſelves into ſeveral Parties, and ſtopped up the Communication of the Coal Carriages and Horſes; and as they are poor and not able to ſubſiſt without working, to ſupply their Neceſſities, forced a Collection on the Road, by obliging People to give them Money; and ſuch as had Cheeſe or Bread they took Care to lighten them of their Burden, ſwearing, *that it was Bread they wanted.*

About Three o'Clock Monday, which was the firſt Day of their Riſing, a Body of about 60 enter'd Totterdown-Houſe, drank up a conſiderable Quantity of Liquor, knock'd down the poor Parrot that was hanging in the Kitchen, beat and abus'd the Landlord and Landlady, threw up the Saſh-Window, and were for throwing the Landlord into the Tide, but were prevented by ſome of the moſt human of them; and without paying for their Liquor, retir'd to the reſt of their Body in the Road. From thence they proceeded to Buſsleton, where they forced ſeveral of the civiliz'd Colliers into their Service, and violently beat thoſe who refus'd; enter'd what Houſes they pleas'd, eat and drank every Thing they could come at, without paying any Money; threw a great deal of Coal into the Pits, and burnt all the Oaken Poles us'd in propping up the Mine-Works; but to ſtop their further Miſchief, one of the Clerks of the Mines gave them a Guinea's worth of ſtrong Drink; and 'Squire Cobb alſo gave them ſome Pails full, to prevent their forcing into his Houſe; but ſwore they would come the next Morning and deſtroy their Fire-Engine; alſo thoſe in Kingſwood, and the Locks on the River between Bath and Briſtol.

Leaving Buſsleton, they met with a Man on the Road leading a Calf with a String; they ſeiz'd the Calf, cut its Throat, and left it, but carried the poor Man a conſiderable Way aſtride on a long Pole. In their Way, they ſtopped at the Sign of the Goat, between Buſsleton and this City, took the Meat out of the Pot that was then boiling, and threaten'd to put the Head of the Landlady's Son therein, knocked down the Landlady at her Cellar Door, and cut her on the Arm with one of her Caſe-Knives: From thence they decamped to the White-Heart in the ſame Road, where ſome of them enter'd the Houſe, demanded Liquor, eat up a Shoulder of Mutton, drank what they pleaſed, and departed towards Briſtol, ſome going thro' the Body of the City, hollowing and Shouting; others taking Boat at the Temple Backs, and paſſed without paying. All the Horſes they met with laden, have been ſtopped, their Sacks cut, and the Coal thrown about the Highway and Streets, beating ſeveral Pack Saddles to Pieces. Several Waggons full of Coal have alſo fallen a Sacrifice to their Rage, particularly one near Caſtle-Gate, the Wheels and Shafts of which they cut in Pieces, and threw the Coal into the Street. Without Lawford's Gate they met with another Waggon, which they overſet, waſted the Coals, and would deſtroyed the Waggon, had not it been for the Remonſtrance of the Driver, who had formerly ſaved the Life of one of the Colliers, concerned in deſtroying the Turnpikes, and giving them Half a Crown to drink.

They were reſolv'd to make an Example of one Roger Purnel a Lighterman, who they oblig'd to leap over-board, and ſeveral ſwam after him acroſs the River, but he made his Eſcape. They vow to tuck him up, if ever he comes in their Way.

Tueſday, Wedneſday, and Thurſday we have had much the ſame Accounts of their collecting Money, &c. Tueſday Evening they ſtopped Two Drivers of the London Waggons, and lightened them of their Money. The ſame Night they broke the Windows of the Pack-Horſe on the London Road, belonging to Mrs. Silverthorn, and made other Progreſs in their Return home.

Thurſday Evening they ſtopped the Bath Coach on Buſsleton Common, and borrowed the Paſſengers and Coachman's Money; they alſo had 18 s. and 6 d. from Mr. Joſ. Whitehead, and Money from other Perſons on Horſeback.

Theſe violent Commotions have induced the Magiſtrates of the City to ſend an Expreſs to Court with an Account thereof. And Tueſday the Conſtables were conven'd at the Council-Houſe, and received ſtrict Orders from the Magiſtrates not to be abſent from their Duty. The Watch was doubled, by the Addition of ſome ſtout ſupernumerary Conſtables, who patrolled the City from 9 at Night till 6 in the Morning. The Military Guard was alſo doubled throughout the City; and a Party of Soldiers were under Arms in the Square, to be ready in Caſe the Colliers paid the City a ſecond Viſit, which they threatened.

Thoſe Proceedings, and the Injury done to the Inhabitants, have ſo provok'd our Magiſtrates, that they have diſpatch'd a Meſſenger to the Proprietors of the Coal-Mines in the Foreſt of Dean, with Orders immediately to ſend away as many Veſſels as they can to ſupply this City; and other Reſolutions were concerted and agreed upon

upon, ſo as to prevent, for the future, thoſe Obſtructions of the Colliers, by having a Supply from other Mines.

But as there have been ſeveral Meetings of the Gentlemen Owners of the Kinſwood Works, and of ſeveral Juſtices for that Diviſion without Lawford's-Gate, who having diſpers'd the Colliers, they appearing no more this Day; promiſing to make good the Damage committed; and acquainting the Magiſtrates of the great Hopes there was of no more of thoſe Commotions; and the Way open'd for the Coal to be brought in as uſual; they thereupon Yeſterday ſent away another Meſſenger to countermand their firſt Orders.

So that there will be no Occaſion of Dragoons, which 'tis ſaid the Government had order'd hither from Glouceſter.

Divers Informations have been made on Oath againſt ſome of the Colliers, who are well known.

Laſt Wedneſday being the Anniverſary of his Majeſty's Coronation, the Bells rung early in the Morning, and continued their Peals all the Day; the Regiment of Soldiers drew up in the Square at Twelve, and fir'd ſeveral Vollies with their Small Arms; about Six, the Right Worſhipful the Mayor, the Worſhipful the Aldermen, Sheriffs, Common-Council, and the Officers of the Regiment aſſembled at the Council-Houſe; before which the Company of Grenadiers drew up by Beat of Drum from the Main Guard, and at every Loyal Health fir'd a Round, which was repeated 7 or 8 Times; the Bells ringing all the while; and the Evening concluded with Bonfires, and other Tokens of Loyalty and Reſpect.

About 2 o'Clock Thurſday Morning, died at Bath, after an Illneſs of three Months, the Lady of Thomas Coſter, Eſq; one of our worthy Repreſentatives in Parliament; ſhe was Siſter to Sir John Smith, Bart. of Long Aſhton; and to the Lady of Jarit Smith, Eſq; of College-Green; a Lady of exemplary Piety and Charity, and died exceedingly lamented.

The ſame Morning, Mr. Caleb Dickeſon, a young Gentleman of a very large Eſtate, was married at the Fryers Meeting, to Miſs Prankard, only Daughter to Mr. Grafton Prankard, an eminent Quaker and Merchant in the Old Market; an agreeable young Lady, and one of the greateſt Fortunes of this City.

Briſtol, Oct. 14. We have to add to the foregoing Account of the Colliers, that Tueſday laſt, during the Heat of their Commotions, a great Body of 'em went up to 'Squire Cheſter's, enter'd his Kitchen, and took from the Fire a fine large Piece of Beef that was then roaſting, together with the Spit, and carried it into the open Field, where they devoured all but the Spit, and then retir'd without waſhing it down.

They have viſited ſeveral other Gentlemen who have alſo large Concerns in the Coal-Works, and by threatning to fill up their Pits, have extorted from them divers Sums of Money.

The City being now in perfect Peace, and the Colliers return'd to their Duty, the ſupernumerary Conſtables of the City are now diſcharg'd.

We hear from Bath, that the Colliers have appear'd about thoſe Parts; but we hear of no extraordinary Exploit, except extorting a Piece or two of Gold from 'Squire Harrington of Corſton.

There is now eſtabliſhing in this City a *Charity-School* for the Cloathing and Education of 20 poor Children, on the ſame Footing as thoſe in London, *i. e.* by the voluntary Subſcription of the *Religious Societies*, and other well-diſpos'd Perſons. Upwards of 40 l. per Ann. was ſubſcribed towards the Support of this laudable Undertaking the firſt Time of its being propoſed. Since which, ſeveral other charitable diſpos'd Perſons, both of London and this City, have become generous Subſcribers: And 'tis not doubted but in Time, with the Bleſſing of God, it will encreaſe like thoſe in London.

London, Oct. 10. *Deaths.* Sir Thomas Stradling, Bart. of Glamorganſhire, on the 27th of September at Montpelier; he was daily expected at Home, to ſtand Candidate for the Borough of Cardiff. By the Deceaſe of Sir Thomas, the Title is extinct, and he has left his Eſtate of about 5000 l. per Annum to the Hon. Buſſy Manſell, Eſq; his near Relation.——On Wedneſday Morning laſt, at his Houſe in St. Peter's Alley Cornhill, after a ſhort Illneſs, Mr. Joſeph Hyam, one of the People called Quakers, a very eminent Merchant.——On Thurſday Morning at the Vicarage Houſe at Hackney, in the 82d Year of his Age, the Rev. Mr. Peter Newcome, who has been Vicar of that Pariſh upwards of 40 Years, a Living that is worth upwards of 400 l. per Annum, and is in the Gift of Francis-John Tyſſen, Eſq; Lord of the Manor.——Yeſterday Morning about Seven o'Clock, after a ſhort Illneſs, aged 30 Years, the Hon. Holles St. John, Eſq; whoſe lively Genius and ſparkling Wit had gained him the Eſteem and Admiration of the polite World.——The ſame Morning, in the 86th Year of his Age, at Newington-Green, John Fullerton, Eſq; formerly Governor of the Hudſon's Bay Company, and one of the preſent Committee thereof.——This Morning at Two o'Clock, at Epſom, the Lady Perry, Wife to the Lord Mayor Elect, much regretted by all her Acquaintance.

Marriages. Laſt Wedneſday, Armine Wodehouſe, Eſq; Knight of the Shire for the County of Norfolk, eldeſt Son of Sir John Wodehouſe, of Kimberly in that County, Bart. to Miſs Lætitia Bacon, eldeſt Daughter of Sir Edmund Bacon, of Garboldiſham of Norfolk, Bart. the other Knight of the Shire for that County, a very fine young Lady, with a very handſome Fortune.——Thomas Johnſon, Eſq; Collector of his Majeſty's Revenue of Exciſe at York, laſt Week, to Mrs. Henrietta Hill, Relict of the Rev. Mr. Hill, and Siſter to the late Sir Henry Goodricke, Bart.——A few Days ago, the Rev. Mr. Wright, to Miſs Anne Wanyeve, of Suffolk; a beautiful Lady, of fine Accompliſhments, and a Fortune of 5000 l.

London, Oct. 12. When the *French Strollers* attempted to act *L'Embaraſs des Richeſſes* laſt Monday Night at the New Theatre in the Hay-Market, the Noiſe in the Houſe began between 4 and 5 oClock; the Cry on one Side of the Galleries was, *No Soupe Maigre*, and the other Side anſwer'd in a different Tone, *Beef and Puding*, and the general Cry was, *Pray remember the poor Engliſh Players in Goal; no French Strollers.* The *French Embaſſador* was in the Box, but went out as ſoon as the Noiſe, &c. began, and vaſt Numbers left the Houſe thro' Fear, tho' their Places were immediately ſupply'd; but notwithſtanding this Uproar, the *Strollers* began to play, and continu'd acting by Peace meal (being continually interrupted) near one Act; but there was ſuch a *Hiſſing*, *Cat calling*, &c. that ſcarce a Word was to be heard; then they attempted a Dance, and to pleaſe the Audience, one of the Mademoſelles fairly ſhewed her A ---, but it being *Foreign Goods*, gave no Content; for they continu'd hiſſing and pelting them in ſuch a Manner, that the *Strollers* were drove out of back Windows into Suffolk-ſtreet, crying out, *Morblieu*, *Morblieu*; and ſeveral of the Audience were forc'd to go out the ſame Way, for the Mob in the Hay-Market, at firſt pelted with Dirt, *even them* that cry'd down the *Strollers*, imagining (by the Fulneſs of the Houſe) they were for encouraging *them*; happy therefore was he that could prove himſelf A TRUE ENGLISHMAN, then he eſcap'd unmoleſted.

We hear a Noble Lord has waited on the *French Embaſſador*, to aſſure him no Affront was intended, either againſt *him* or the *French Nation*, by the Behaviour of the Gentlemen againſt the *French Strollers* on Monday Night laſt at the Hay-Market.

A Contribution is raiſing among ſeveral of the Nobility for the *French Strollers*, who we hear will ſpeedily embark for *Boloigne*, on their Way home; tho' *ſome Papiſts* pretend to give out they will act again.

We hear that a Memorial has been preſented to the French Court, relating to the Works carrying on at Graveline.

By the Naſſau, Burn, who arriv'd off Dover the 9th Inſtant, and left Jamaica the 4th of Auguſt laſt, we hear that the Elizabeth, John Triſtam, Maſter, belonging to Leverpool, bound from Monteago Bay in Jamaica, for London, was taken the 20th of June laſt, about a League

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off Donna Maria Bay, on the South West Side of Hiſpaniola, by a *French Guarda Coſta*, commanded by Capt. St. Michael, and carried into Hiſpaniola.-----*Our Trade is in a fine Way, when our Ships are taken both by France and Spain.*

The Falmouth Man of War, Capt. Douglas, ſail'd the 3d of Auguſt from Jamaica for Hiſpaniola, to demand the ſaid Ship; *which, if not deliver'd up, 'tis hop'd our Men of War will ſpeak with the firſt French Ship they meet with, to repair the Loſs without Formality, Conventions, or Commiſſaries.*

Some of the *High* Germans ſeem now to have rubb'd the *French Gold Duſt* out of their Eyes, and begin to ſee that the French are but lukewarm in the Emperor's Intereſt, in their pretended Mediation with the Ottoman Porte; *a wonderful Diſcovery this! that a Prince of Bourbon ſhould be a Friend to the Houſe of Auſtria.* When were the Galls ever true to the Germans? Their Intereſts are oppoſite, and the two jarring Elements of *Fire and Water* may as well *unite* as the Houſes of *Auſtria and Bourbon*, unleſs the former will ſtoop ſo low as to become the Dupe to the aſpiring Genius of the latter.

We hear from Belfaſt in Ireland, that they have very good Harveſt Weather there; that they have plentiful and cheap Markets; and that Oat Meal is fallen from 8 s. to 5 s. 3 d. per Hundred. Barley is from 3 s. 10 d. to 4 s. Iriſh Wheat is from 4 s. 8 d. to 5 s. And Foreign Wheat is 7 s. per Hundred. And that all Sorts of Grain are expected to fall much lower by the great Plenty they have of them. Beef is from 18 s. to 20 s. per Barrel. Bullocks Hides are 17 s. 6 d. and Cow Hides from 11 s. to 12 s. per Hundred. Butter, large Casks 20 s. and ſmall Casks 19 s. per Hundred: And it is thought it will be lower. Fat, or Rough Tallow, is from 2 s. 6 d. to 2 s. 8 d. per Stone. Good Cheeſe is worth about 15 s. per Hundred.

Laſt Night a melancholly Accident happened in Newgate-ſtreet, by an unlucky Boy's putting a lighted Serpent into the Pocket of a Man who was ſelling ſuch Things to the Crowd, and ſet ſome Dozens of them on Fire, the Noiſe of which frighted the Horſes of two Carts which were then going by, and two Men were thrown down, one of them was killed, and the other had his Leg broke in two Pieces, by the Wheels running over them. *Tho' we have ſuch excellent Laws againſt this ſcandalous Practice, of throwing Squibs, yet it paſſes with Impunity.*

On Tueſday Night a Letter was thrown into Mr. Welldy's Shop at the Corner of Ludgate-ſtreet, threatning Death and Deſtruction, if he did not lay 50 l. in a certain Place in Chancery-Lane, deſcribed in the Letter.

Yeſterday Philip Dwyne was committed to Newgate by Juſtice Poulſon, for enliſting Men into Foreign Service, contrary to Act of Parliament againſt that pernicious Cuſtom eſpecially provided.

London, Oct. 24. On Friday laſt, the Maſter and Aſſiſtants of the Haberdaſher's Company (of which Company is the Lord Mayor Elect) went to Standgate, when their new Barge was launch'd, which is reckon'd the moſt beautiful Boat, both for Neatneſs of Carving and Richneſs of Gilding, that ever belonged to any Company; it is lin'd with a rich Genoa Damask, with Curtains of the ſame; and the Coſt of the Whole upwards of 750 l.

The Ballaſt Men have cleared out of the Place where the firſt Pier of the Bridge at Weſtminſter is to be built, near 200 Load of Gravel; the Dimenſion they are to clear is 60 Feet long, 30 broad, and 5 deep; and it is computed, that near 300 Load of Gravel more will be taken out of it.

They have began building, and are about the Foundations of above 100 Houſes in and about Oxford Road; and yet the Out-Parts of the Town are already ſo overbuilt, that in many of the new Sreets half the Houſes are unlett.

On Friday a fine new Ship, about 500 Tons Burthen, was launch'd at Mr. Bronſden's Dock at Blackwall, for the Service of the Eaſt-India Company.

On Saturday Morning laſt, his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales, attended by ſeveral Perſons of Diſtinction, ſet out from Bath to make a Viſit to the Right Hon. the Lord Bathurſt, at his Seat at Cirenceſter in Glouceſterſhire, about 20 Miles from Bath; where he arrived that Afternoon at 5 o'Clock, amidſt the loud Acclamations of the People. The Wool-Combers of Cirenceſter, with a Perſon at the Head of them, who repreſented Biſhop Blaze, with blue Caps, Aprons, and other Enſigns of their Buſineſs, attended by many Hundreds of People, met his Highneſs about 3 Miles out of Town, and all walked before him to my Lord's Seat, where there were extraordinary Preparations made for his Reception. His Highneſs ſtayed with his Lordſhip till Yeſterday Morning, when he return'd again to Bath: During his Stay, there were great Rejoycings in the Town, as ringing of Bells, Bonfires, and other Illuminations both Night and Day; and his Royal Highneſs ſeemed exceedingly well pleaſed with the Reſpect that was paid to him wherever he paſſed. His Highneſs was viſited by all the Gentlemen of Fortune round the Country. Such Rejoicings were never known in that Town before; and nothing could have occaſioned this, but the Preſence of ſo great a Viſitor.

Febr. 2. Yeſterday arrived in *York* River, the Ship *York*, Capt. *Joſeph Ludlow*, from *Briſtol*; and the Ship *Albemarle*, (in the Service of Meſſieurs *Carey* and *Montague*,) Capt. *Thomas Danſie*, from *London*: By whom we have following Advices.

Briſtol, Nov. 10. This Day their Roial Highneſſes the Prince and Princeſs of *Wales*, did this City the Honour of a Viſit: Upon which Occaſion, Mr. Serjeant *Foſter*, Recorder of the City, made the following Speech.

May it pleaſe your Royal Highneſs,

THE Mayor, Aldermen, Common-Council, and Citizens of *Briſtol*, beg Leave Moſt Humbly to acknowledge the great Condeſcention of Your ROYAL HIGHNESS and Her ROYAL HIGHNESS the PRINCESS, in vouchſafing to Honour this City with Your Preſence; and permitting us to pay Our Humble Duty to Your ROYAL HIGHNESSES, on an Occaſion of ſo much Joy. An Honour we ſhould be utterly unworthy of, did we not receive it with Hearts full of the warmeſt Impreſſions of Duty and Gratitude, and ambitious of recommending Ourſelves to the Approbation of Your ROYAL HIGHNESS, by a moſt dutiful and affectionate Zeal for the Honour of HIS MAJESTY's Government, and the Stability of His ROYAL HOUSE.

Permit Us, therefore, SIR, Moſt Humbly to aſſure your ROYAL HIGHNESS, that as we enjoy the Bleſſings of a Free Government, and extenſive Commerce, thro' HIS MAJESTY's Wiſdom, Equity, and Royal Goodneſs; ſo while we contemplate the ſame Principles of true Greatneſs adorning the Character of Your ROYAL HIGHNESS, we rejoice in the Proſpect which lies before Us.

All that we have further to hope or wiſh for, is, That when HIS MAJESTY and Your ROYAL HIGHNESS ſhall be removed from the View and Admiration of Mankind, and Poſterity ſhall mention Your Royal Names together, with Veneration, Love, and Gratitude, may a Line of Princes, deſcended from Your ROYAL HIGHNESS and Her ROYAL HIGHNESS the PRINCESS, be, to lateſt Ages, the Glory and Ornament of Their Times, Guardians of the *Britiſh* Conſtitution, and Advocates for the Rights of Mankind.

Theſe, SIR, are the Sentiments and unfeigned Wiſhes of HIS MAJESTY's Loyal Subjects the Citizens of *Briſtol*, who beg your ROYAL HIGHNESSES's Permiſſion to preſume yet farther on your Goodneſs; and Moſt Humbly intreat your Gracious Acceptance of the Freedom of this City; which Mr. Mayor has the Honour to preſent to your ROYAL HIGHNESS, in the Name of all the Freemen of *Briſtol*.

His

His Royal Highness's ANSWER.

Gentlemen,

I Return you my Thanks, and the Princeſs's, for this Inſtance of your Regard; which is the more pleaſing to Me, becauſe it is at the ſame Time a Proof of your Duty and Affection to the King.

This great City may always depend upon my particular Wiſhes for its Proſperity, and the Advancement of its Trade; which is ſo valuable an Effect of Liberty, and ſo ſtrong a Support to the Honour and Happineſs of this Nation.

I ſhall inculcate theſe Sentiments into my Children; who, I hope, will one Day deſerve the Concern you expreſs for them now.

The kind Reception their Roial Highneſſes met with in that Opulent City, and the great Joy of the People on this Occaſion, are almoſt inexpreſſible: However, we ſhall, in the next *Gazette*, preſent our Readers with the Account at large, as it was publiſhed there.

London, Nov. 18. Twenty Seven Men of War, and Three Bomb Veſſels, are ordered to be paid off, and about 8000 Seamen: Abundance of Sailors enter'd eagerly, with a View of a War, and beating the *Spaniards*, ſo hop'd to get a good Booty, and expected to be out at Sea ſome Time; but being now turn'd off ſo ſoon, when their Pay perhaps will not pay the Purſer for furniſhing them with Cloaths, &c. what muſt theſe poor Fellows (tho' the Bulwark of the Nation) do?

Yeſterday there was a Drawing-Room at St. James's, his Majeſty being ſo well recovered as to ſee Company publickly.

On Thurſday Morning died at Waltham-ſtow, in Eſſex, Sir Henry Maynard, Bart. formerly Reſident at Aleppo.

London, Nov. 21. We hear, that 1400 Yards of Iriſh Linen, of ſundry Sorts, were lately imported for the Uſe of the Roial Family.

When his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales was at Briſtol, he gave Mr. Mayor 200 l. to diſcharge poor Debtors out of Goal.

Sunday being the Anniverſary of the Birth of her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of Wales, who then enter'd into the 20th Year of her Age, there were great Rejoicings in many Parts of the Town.

London, Nov. 25. We hear that her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of Orange, deſigns to viſit the Britiſh Court early in the Spring.

Laſt Week died at his Seat, in the County of York, the Right Hon. the Lord Fairfax, a Peer of Ireland, &c.

London, Nov. 25. We hear the Parliament will meet and ſit for the Diſpatch of Buſineſs, on Tueſday the 23d of January.

Laſt Thurſday Night died, of a Dropſy, at her Houſe in Groſvenor-Square, the Counteſs of Coventry, Wife of the Right Hon. the Earl of Coventry.

His Majeſty's Ship, the Sea-Horſe, Capt. Compton, arrived at Portſmouth, in 6 Weeks from Virginia.

London, Nov. 30. 'Tis ſaid the Treaty lately ſign'd between the Emperor and France, will give Poſſeſſion to his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty, of ſome Towns in the Auſtrian Netherlands; which occaſions various Diſcourſes.

We hear, that a new Convention will be ſign'd, for accommodating the Differences between Great-Britain and Spain.

They write from Jamaica, of the 11th of September laſt, That the Drake Sloop, Capt. Maſters, had brought in there a French Sloop, which is condemn'd; and a Tartane, with Two Spaniards, the one dead, and the other is condemn'd as a Pirate, and to be hang'd in Chains.

London, Dec. 2. Letters from Jamaica ſay, That the Kinſale Man of War had brought in there, as a Prize, a large Regiſter Ship, of 600 Tuns, from the Canaries, and bound to Campeachy, reckon'd to be worth 60,000 l. Sterling. This News is confirm'd by another Ship, arriv'd in the Downs, which left Jamaica the 4th of October, with this Addition, That when the Regiſter Ship was carried in there, the People of the Iſland were ſo incens'd againſt the Spaniards, that it was with Difficulty they were prevented from murdering the Spaniſh Crew, and deſtroying the Ship.

London, Dec. 5. On Saturday Evening, their Royal Highneſſes the Prince and Princeſs of Wales came from Bath to Cliſden Houſe, in the County of Bucks; and yeſterday they came to their Houſe at Kew, where they will continue ſome Time.

Extract of a Letter from Briſtol, *dated Dec.* 2.

" This Day we receiv'd Advice from Jamaica, That " the Captain of the Man of War, who took the Spaniſh " Regiſter Ship, had been oblig'd to ſee her back into " the ſame Latitude where he found her."

Williamsburg, Feb. 2, We hear from *Maryland*, That about 6 Weeks ago, Mr. *William Armiſtead*, Son of Col. *Henry Armiſtead*, of *Gloceſter* County, in this Colony, was married to Miſs ---- *Bowles*, ſecond Daughter of *James Bowles*, Eſq; deceas'd ſome Years ſince one of the Right Hon. the Lord Proprietor's Council of that Province, and Grand-Daughter of *Tobias Bowles*, Eſq; formerly an eminent Merchant of *London*, in the *Virginia* Trade; a very agreeable young Lady, with a Fortune of upwards of 6000 l. Sterling.

We hear from *Gloceſter* County, That on *Thurſday* Night was Se'nnight, a Man who had been drinking at the Ordinary near the Court-houſe, being quarrelſome and troubleſome to the Company, was, by a Man belonging to the Houſe, puſh'd out of the Door, and miſſing his Step, fell backwards, and with the Fall and the Liquor together, dy'd ſoon after. The Coroner's Inqueſt ſate on the Body, and brought in their Verdict, *Accidental Death.*

On *Wedneſday* Morning laſt, dy'd Mr. *Robert Davidſon*, Practitioner in Phyſick, and Mayor of this City, after a few Days Sickneſs: He was a kind, good-natur'd Man, always ready to give his Advice and Aſſiſtance to the Poor, and was endow'd with many other good Qualities; which obtain'd him the Love and Eſteem of his Acquaintance, who generally lament his Death.

We hear, That Capt. Bolling, *and all the homeward bound Ships in this Trade, are arriv'd ſafe.*

Enter'd in *York* River.

January 29. *Ship New-Kent, of Briſtol, David Ruſſan, Maſter, from Briſtol, with ſundry European Goods.*

February 1. *Ship York, of Briſtol, Joſeph Ludlow, Maſter, from Briſtol, with ſundry European Goods, and 2 Paſſengers.*

---------- 2. *Ship Albemarle, Thomas Danſie, Maſter, from London, with ſundry European Goods.*

Clear'd out.

January 13. *Sloop Pearle, of Bermuda, Daniel Seymour, Maſter, for Bermuda, with* 1000 *Buſhels of Corn.*

February 1. *Sloop Mary, of Bermuda, Perient Trott, Maſter, for Bermuda, with* 1200 *Buſhels of Corn,* 50 *Buſhels of Peaſe,* 500 *Pieces of Pork, and* 50 *Buſhels of Salt.*

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Benjamin Needler.

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